General. The Pope's health is unusually good. Embezzler Weeks received ten years in State prison.

scientist, is dead. The yellow fever quarantine has been raised at Brunswick, Ga.

Prof. Tyndall, the famous English

Murderer Delfino was electrocuted at Sing Sing on Monday. Five persons were poisoned by eat-

ing oysters at Fort Wayne, Ind. King Humbert and Queen Margherita were publicly hissed at Rome.

Andrianoff, who murdered the Mayor of Moscow last March, has been declared insane. Rev. and Mrs. John Alden celebrated

their sixtieth wedding anniversary at Providence, R. I.

Brazilian insurgents in Rio Grande do Sul defeated Government forces and took 1,000 prisoners. Secretary Lamont denies the story

that he and President Cleveland are interested in wood pulp. Michael Hennessy, of Gaylordsville,

Conn., is charged with fatally burning his wife by holding her in a fireplace. Sir John Thompson, Premier of Canada, does not see any advantage to

Canada in the new Wilson tariff bill. The brig John D. Spreckels, at San Francisco, eleven days from Hawaii, reports no change in Hawaiian affairs. Mello is said to have left Rio with some of his best warships to intercept the vessels Peixoto bought in America.

The Pennsylvania Company has secured the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad, which gives it a new outlet to the lakes.

John Fehn, of Reading, Pa., issued cards for his daughter's wedding Monday, but she eloped and is married to our most trusted warriors are among tion of the Comanches and Apaches, been lost on the Matterhorn. Mr. another fellow.

win will leave San Francisco soon for to the Sioux. They have betrayed us the purchase of the surplus lands, is Honolulu with a special messenger of and doomed us to die. The Crows will about 1,000,000 acres, occupied by the State Department.

A tall, dark man, wearing an ulster with a turned-up high collar, is busy clipping the hair off girls and young women uptown, New York. Ex-Minister John L. Stevens has pub-

lished a reply to Commissioner Blount on the Hawaiian question, charging the latter with misrepresentation. President Palton, of Princeton Col-

lege, expresses his approval of football, and denies that the game is brutal as represented by the press. The trial of Prendergast, the assassin of Mayor Harrison, began Monday

in Chicago. It is expected that it will require two weeks to secure a jury. The wife of Chief Burgess Body, of Orwigsburg, Pa., made a desperate at-

tempt to commit suicide by throwing herself in the rapids at Niagara Falls. The Secretaries of War and Navy have been appealed to prevent the football game between the West Point and Annapolis Cadets, but they will not in-

Capt. Devery, of the Eleventh Police Precinct, New York, has been indicted by the Grand Jury, on complaint of Indians, and the pebbles turned to Dr. Parkhurst, for not suppressing dis-

Italy has had another financial shock. The Credito Mobiliare, one of the strongest banks in that country, has asked for an extension of time to meet

Fifty college students arrested by the New York police for disorder on Thanksgiving Day were in most cases discharged with a reprimand. A few were fined \$5 each.

Governor Altgeld, of Illionis, says he in opposed to capital punishment, but refuses to commute sentences, on the ground that the law of the State provides that punishment.

Gov. Lewelling, of Kansas, instructs the police boards of that State that the law under which vagrants are compelled to work on the highways and rock piles is unconstitutional.

The State Boards of Arbitration of New York and New Jersey, the leaders of the Lehigh strike and President Wilbur are at Bethlehem, Pa., the arbitrators trying to settle the trouble. Mrs. James Roosevelt Roosevelt's will

leaves the bulk of her \$7,000,000 estate to her children, share and share alike, and the residue to her husband. She was a daughter of William Astor.

a twenty-one-year contract for Califor- macadam. A fine statue of Roscoe Conkling, by Sculptor J. Q. A. Ward, has been

Levi P. Morton, C. A. Seward, C. P. Huntington, Henry Villard, August Belmont and other prominent citizens raised the fund. Thousands struggled to gain admittance to the exhibition of the prize winning objects of the World's Fair

on the opening day at the Central Palace, New York. It is estimated that the total value of the exhibits in all the departments is \$36,000,000. Gen. Martinez Campos telegraphs from Melilla that his forces have be-

gun rebuilding Fort Guariach, work on

which led to the first attack of the Moors. The General says if the Moors interfere he will attack them from the front and upon the left flank. A cholera expert who was sent to Constantinople by the French Governcombat the plague, was attacked with the disease Tuesday and died within a

few hours. There are still from forty

to fifty cases a day in that city. The two last important football games of the season were between Yale and Princeton and Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania. Princeton defeated Yale by a score of 6 to 0. giving Princeton the college football championship. Harvard defeated the University of Pennsylvania by a score

of 26 to 4. "Boss" John Y. McKane, of Gravesend, L. L., has put in his reply in the contempt proceedings against bim. He nade a sweeping denial of all charges. A sensation was created by McKane atroducing as witnesses about a dozen f the special officers sent to Gravesad by Mr. Gaynor, who testified that hey had no special instructions and were all drank and disorderly.

BALLS FROM THE SKY.

teoric Stones. The Sioux Indians have a legend that of the stones:

Many years ago, which in Indian lore may mean fifty or a thousand years, the Sioux Indians ranged supreme all to its mouth. A mighty nation, the numbers of the Sioux decreasing, unand would eventually become a part of the victorious Crows. One day the their race. Then appeared Red Dog. the Medicine Man. A wave of his long, bony arm stilled the crowd, and

he spoke: everything in reach. Death and destruction will mark their path. Our only hope now is in the intervention of the Manitou, and I will give libations that he may help us in the hour of need. Our only safety now is in flight to the river. When the battle comes on, if the good Manitou does not save us, then it is best to kill ourselves, and when the time comes I will give the signal. Red Dog has spoken. Mind his words."

Red Dog's prophetic words filled the warriors with gloom, and they began to prepare for their flight to the river. Once on the bank, further flight was tle were made. Singing loudly their war songs, the Crows dashed forward, and arrows and spears fell thick and fast among the Sioux. There was no hope and Red Dog was just about to give the signal for the members of the band to kill themselves, when there appeared an ominous gathering in the sky. The heavens assumed a greenish hue, a few drops of rain fell, and then there came something harder. Pebbles began dashing down on the fighting larger stones until they assumed a size that meant death to all that were struck. Down poured the cannon balls of heaven upon the Crows, but, wonderful to relate, not one of the Sioux

was hit by the missiles from the sky. From that day the Sioux were un- of history. No land but America has molested by the other tribes, and the produced his like. This destined chief round stones that are found in such of a nation in its most perilous hour abundance along the Cannon Ball was the son of a thriftless and wan-River are the relics of the day when dering settler, bred in the most sordid the Manitou answered the prayers of poverty. He had received only the Red Dog. This is the legend.-Chicago rudiments of education, and, though

Daily Tribune.

Governor Flower on Good Roads.

In his speech to the farmers at the Orleans County Fair grounds, Governor Flower confined his remarks mainly to a discussion of public highways. The farmer, the Governor thought, was the chief beneficiary of good roads, and yet it was a fact that he was easily scared when the question of taxing him for road purposes was broached. New York State spends \$3,000,000 a year in money and labor for road improvement, and yet results are very unsatisfactory. This is an average of \$50,000 for each county. That amount of money scientifically expended each year would build over seven miles of good macadam road. Or, if the coun-The Wells Fargo Express Company ty preferred to build roads faster, that pays the Southern Pacific Railway amount-less than that amount ex-Company a bonus of \$1,700,000 and 40 pended in interest on bonds-would per cent. of its California receipts for provide money to build 140 miles of

"Every farmer knows," said the Governor, "that bad roads sometimes keep him from town when prices of grain placed in Madison Square, New York, are high. Every farmer knows how much larger a load his team would pull if the roads were hard and smooth. Every farmer knows what a considerable item in his annual expenses is the repair of wagons and harness. Every farmer knows how much more it costs to keep three or four horses instead of one or two, as he might with equal service with a system of good roads. Every farmer knows that his farm would increase in value if by good highways it could be brought into speedy communication with village or city. All these things our farmers know, and they know that the sum of these pecuniary advantages in favor of good roads would vastly

outweigh the cost of procuring them." The Governor predicted that the time would come when automatic vehicles would be used for transporting proment at the request of the Sultan, to duce. Then good roads would be absolutely essential. Why not issue bonds now and let the coming generations, who will enjoy the good roads, help to pay the principal and interest? The Governor demonstrated by statistics that it would pay Orleans County to issue \$420,000 in bonds for road improvement purposes.

> Correct Parsing. "What part of speech is kiss?" asked

a teacher at Vassar College. "A conjunction," replied one of the smart girls. "Wrong," said the teacher severely;

"next girl. "A noun," put in a demure maiden, originally provided with a top cover-"What kind of a noun?" continued ing. The Park Commissioners have the preceptress. "Well-er-it is both common and nium cap, which will be gilded. The

class.-Vogue.

ON TO FORT SILL!

An Indian Legend of a Shower of Me- The Choicest of Indian Territory Reser-

vations Soon to be Opened. After the Cherokee strip, the Fort is of interest now, telling as it does Sill country. People have quite generhow an opposing army was put to ally got the idea that the strip affords flight by a shower of meteorites. The 'the last of the big openings of Indian legend also explains a layer of stones Territory reservations. This is a misfound on the shores of the Cannon take, writes a Washington correspon-Ball River. This river is one of the dent of the St. Louis Democrat. The many streams of the Northwest that Fort Sill country is yet to be divided. join to make the Big Muddy, and It is a far richer prize for the homeflows near the Standing Rock Agency. seeker, by all accounts, than the strip. Along this stream, at a distance of four In round number of acres the Cheroor five miles from its mouth, may be kee strip looks more imposing. But found hundreds and thousands of the western third contains wastes of stones of all sizes. There is nothing sand hills. The western half of the extraordinary in this, the reader may strip is fit for little else than grazing. think, but the extraordinary part is With the Fort Sill country the case is not in the presence of the stones, but different. The proportion of fine farmin their shape and weight. Their sizes | ing land is much greater. Prospectors range from a marble to that of globes | who have reamed over the Fort Sill three feet in diameter. This is the country since the Comanches became legend that accounts for the presence quiet enough not to be troublesome say it is a region that surpasses Oklahoma and the best of the strip. The Fort Sill country lies in the southern part of the Indian Territory. It boralong the Great Waters from its head | ders on Red River. Just across the river are the Texas cities of Wichita Crows, inhabited the land to the west | Falls, Iowa Park, Vernon and Quanah. of the Sioux possessions, and between The famous Panhandle wheat belt of the two there was constant warfare. Texas is along Fort Sill reservation. The Crows were the most powerful in | The latter possesses the qualities of point of numbers, but the superior gen- soil and climate which have made the eralship of the Sioux more than over former famous. In addition it has balanced this, and heretofore the war more timber and water. There are had been a drawn affair. As time about 3,000,000 acres of this Fort Sill passed, however, the Crows became country. Those qualified to speak say more and more aggressive, and not a that there is more first-class farming week passed without great slaughter land in this reservation than in the on both sides. Each day saw the strip. In one valley, the Cache, is rich land for 20,000 farms. After the Cotil at last the old chieftains realized | manches and Apaches are provided | that their nation was dwindling away, with their allotments 100,000 white people can find homes in the reservation. The Fort Sill country has in Crows gathered in force, and the Sioux | abundance what is so often lacking in tribe felt this was to be the last of the Southwest, and that is plenty of of something like 3,000 feet. timber of good quality, and springs and beautiful running streams. It has mountains and minerals, a diversity of climate and resources which the north-"Brethren, the Crows have reinforced | ern part of the Indian Territory does their already powerful army. Some of not possess. Adjoining the reservathem. They have proven themselves with whom the Commissioners have Gysi, with the two remaining guides. It is said that the revenue cutter Cor- traitors to the blood that binds them already entered into an agreement for hastened, of course, to descend with swoop down upon us and destroy 1,000 Wichitas and Caddoes. This minor reservation is nearly ready for opening. In fact, there are those in Oklahoma who hold that no legal reasons stand in the way of settlers mov ing right into the Wichita country. When the Wichita and the Fort Sill reservations are occupied there will be continuous white settlement from the Kansas line to the Red River. The great barrier between Kansas and Texas will be removed. The same pressure which forced the opening of Oklahoma and later the Cherokee strip has begun to operate against the Wichita tract and the Fort Sill country. The longing eyes of the boomer are alimpossible, and preparations for bat- ready upon these two fairest regions of the whole Indian Territory. Organizations of intending settlers have been formed all along the north line of Texas. Around Wichita Falls, Iowa Park, Vernon and Quanah is a country which raises millions of bushels of wheat and is worth from \$10 to \$50 an acre. Just across the river from this great Southwestern granary is a country leased to cattlemen for about five cents an acre. Before another spring the cry of "On to Fort Sill!" will be heard from all parts of the border, and 't will be irresistible.

> Picture of Lincoln. From Prof. Goldwin Smith's new history of the United States: Abraham Lincoln is assuredly one of the marvels

he afterwards read eagerly such works as were within his reach, it is wonderful that he should have attained as a speaker and writer a mastery of language and a pure as well as effective style. He could look back smiling on the day when his long shanks appeared bare below the shrunken leather breeches which were his only nether garment. His frame was gaunt and grotesque, but mighty. He stood six feet four, and was said to have lifted a cask full of beer and to have drunk out of the bunghole. This made him a hero with the Clary Grove boys. He had a strong and eminently fair understanding, with great powers of patient thought, which he cultivated by the study of Euclid. In all his views there was a simplicity which had its source in the simplicity of his character. His local popularity was due largely to his humor and the stock of good stories, always pointed, though not always delicate, which through life it was his delight to collect and re-At the same time he was melancholy, touched with the pathos of human life, fond of mournful poetry, religious though not orthodox, with a strong sense of an overruling providence, which, when he was out of spirits, sometimes took the shape of fatalism. His melancholy was probably deepened by his gloomy surround-

Bacteria and Colds.

ings and by misadventures in love.

According to the Berlin correspondent of the Lancet, Prof. Schenk has found that micro-organisms move towards warm points. This movement he terms thermotaxis, and he concludes as the result of experiments with a specially constructed apparatus that warmth acts as a stimulant on micro-organisms, which move towards a warm body in their neighborhood, and that this themotaxis is a vital property of bacteria. The professor further considers that in certain cases of "catching cold" an infection is conveyed by bacteria. Thus a person entering a cold room would attract the bacteria present by his warm body, and these, finding admission through the skin or otherwise( produce, after a certain time of incubation, the results ordinarily attributed to "catching cold." The hair bulb sheaths, sweat glands, and mucous membranes are all said to offer possible points of entry to bacteria.

A Cap for the Obelisk. Cleopatra's Needle, or the Central Park obelisk, is to have a gilded cap. It has been found that obelisks were empowered the purchase of an alumiproper," answered the shy girl, and obelisk is now being treated again, so she was promoted to the head of her that it will stand the rigor of our cliA FALL OF 3,000 FEET.

Remarkable Accident to Two Young

Englishmen in the Alps. The Rev. C. T. Porter, English chaplain at Zermatt, has sent some particulars, gathered from an eye-witness, of the distressing accident that took place on the Matterhorn the other day. I believe (he says) this expedition to climb the "Lion of Zermatt" originated with Herr Andreas Seiler, a young man of eighteen years, who invited a friend, Mr. Oscar Gysi, of Manchester, to accompany him, and engaged three guides-Johann Biner, aged twentythree; Josef Taugwalder and Leo Moser. The ascent was made from the Italian side, the most difficult and dangerous. The mountaineers started together, but after a while young Seiler determined to push on in advance of the rest of the party, with Biner for his companion.

All went well till towards 3 o'clock in the afternoon, by which time the travellers had nearly reached the now Cabine de la Tour, erected by the Italian Alpine Club at a height of 12,-760 feet up the mountain's side. Suddenly the guides Taugwalder and Moser were startled with what they thought to be the sound of falling stones. To avoid this danger they dressed themselves, with Mr. Gysi, close to the rock. Their horror can be close to the rock. they saw the bodies of Seiler and Biner shoot past them and within two or three yards of the spot where they were clinging to the mountain. The catastrophe might easily have involved the whole party.

How it happened no one will ever know, as the two victims had climbed out of sight of their companions. Who first slipped we cannot tell. Biner and Seiler were roped together. The rope held throughout that terrible fall

The accident recalls that of July 14, 1865, when young Douglas Hadow, aged nineteen; Mr. Hudson, Lord F. Douglas and Michael Croz fell 4,000 feet on the other side of the same mountain. Thirteen lives have now

The descend under such circumstances was at once trying and dangerous, but they succeeded in getting intelligence of the disaster to Zermatt on Tuesday morning, when sixteen guides at once proceeded to search for the bodies. These they found fearfully mangled, the body of young Seiler resting upon that of Johann Biner. In the Roman Catholic churchyard where lie the bodies of Hudson, Hadow and Michael Crez, poor Biner's shattered frame was also laid to rest, in the presence of a crowd of sympathizing visitors, as well as guides and villagers. He leaves a mother and three sisters to bewail his early death.-London

The Oldest Waterworks.

A recent work on sanitary engineering says that Damascus possesses in all probability the oldest water-works in the world. The city itself is the most ancient of existing cities, having seen the rise and fall of the Greek and Roman Empires, of Babylon, Nineveh, Palmyra and Jerusalem. When taken by the Saracens from the Romans the water-works already existed, and it is probable that the latter constructed the works which still exist and supply the town. Damascus lies in a valley on the River Abana, which flows from the Lebanon hills and is lost in the desert to the east of the town. In spite of a copious supply of excellent water Damascus has had no immunity from epidemics, owing to the fact that the double canalization for water supply and drainage, being more or less leaky, saturated the soil and raised the spring level nearly to the surface, and the sewers are rarely if ever cleaned, are not systematically ventilated, and they pass under many of the houses. It is not surprising, therefore, that Damascus is and always was an insalubrious town.

Rules for the Napkin.

There is a good deal of uncertainty as to whether it is or is not the thing to fold a napkin after a formal meal. If one is staying in the house and knows that napkin rings are in use there it seems a reflection upon that custom to fling the napkin down in an untidy heap. An elegantly appointed table deserves better treatment, even at the end of the meal, than those disheveled piles of napery. Therefore, it always seems fittest to simply half-fold the napkin and not attract attention to it either by one obtrusive habit or the other.—Phiadelphia Press.

Superiority of the Cutlery Grinder. The German cutlery grinder is a very superior workman, and in razors he has not a peer. The English workman will not spare the time to do the work as well, consequently the blanks are sent to him from Sheffield to grind. The English stand over the work, the stone being set low. On the other hand, the German has his stone right before his face, and can see his work very closely. His touch is very delicate, and he can grind a blade as thin as a sheet of paper, and make the best razor in the world.

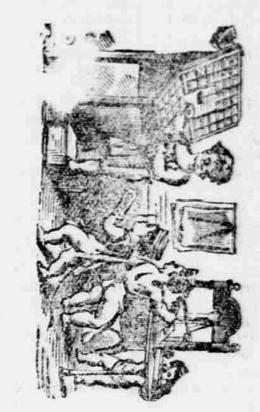
The Spanish Game of Quoits. The Spanish game of quoits-rayeula -is played with unpierced disks of iron about three inches in diametertejo. The hubs consist of two curved pieces of wrought iron of an oval shape, terminating in a point, which is stuck in the ground. The larger of these pieces, the pala, is placed in front of the other, the paletin. To strike the pala with the quoit counts one, while to strike the paletin, which is more difficult, counts two.

A Krupp Fair at Essen. War material has developed to such a marvelous extent of recent years that a special interest attaches to an exhibition which Herr Krupp will shortly open in his famous works at Essen. The great gun maker intends to illustrate the progress in the manufacture of artillery within the last thirty years, showing a monster cannon as the latest triumph among murderous weap-

The Popes Will.

The Pope has just made his will. Years ago he settled the disposition of his private property; but the present will is his official political testament, besides containing directions for his funeral and tomb, and the division of his Jubitee presents.

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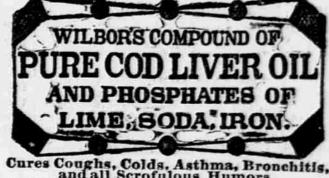
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